## **Standard #1 - Student Development**

The school counselor utilizes his/her skills and knowledge of student development and behavior to promote the mental health and well-being of all students by facilitating their academic, career, and personal/social development.

Standard 1 – Quality Indicator 1: Human Growth and Development: The school counselor demonstrates knowledge of human development and personality and how these domains affect learners, and applies this knowledge in his or her work with learners.

1PS1 Pre-Service	1N1 New Counselor	1D1 Developing	1P1 Proficient	1S1 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
<ul> <li>The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:</li> <li>theories of individual and family development, transitions across the life span, and the range of human developmental variation</li> <li>theories of learning and personality development</li> <li>theories of individual, family, cultural, and community resilience</li> <li>factors that function as barriers to developing healthy life and learning styles, including but not</li> </ul>	The new counselor begins to apply knowledge of theories of individual and family development, stages of individual growth, theories of learning and personality, resilience, factors that affect behavior, exceptional abilities, and principles of diverse learners to school counseling program activities.	The developing counselor consistently applies knowledge of theories of individual and family development, stages of individual growth, theories of learning and personality, resilience, factors that affect behavior, exceptional abilities, and principles of diverse learners to school counseling program activities.	The proficient counselor continues to provide developmentally and culturally appropriate program activities and interventions that are based on knowledge of current and emerging theories and periodically evaluates the impact of those interventions on identified student outcomes.	The distinguished counselor provides leadership and training, both to ensure that program activities and interventions are based on current and emerging theories that are developmentally and culturally appropriate and to encourage and support counselors to evaluate the impact of those interventions on identified student outcomes.

limited to,		
developmental crises,		
disability, addiction,		
psychopathology, and		
environmental factors		
<ul> <li>exceptional abilities as</li> </ul>		
they relate to		
development		
<ul> <li>developmental</li> </ul>		
principles in working		
with diverse learners		
in a variety of school		
counseling activities		

Standard 1 – Quality Indicator 2: Counseling Theories and Interventions: The school counselor knows and understands established and emerging counseling theories and applies knowledge of techniques and strategies for innovative and differentiated interventions.

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1PS2 Pre-Service	1N2 New Counselor	1D2 Developing	1P2 Proficient	1S2 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  • established and emerging counseling theories  • counseling theories in order to conceptualize student issues  • counseling theories to generate developmentally and culturally appropriate counseling goals for individuals and groups  • techniques and strategies for innovative and differentiated interventions that are developmentally and culturally appropriate	The new counselor begins to apply knowledge of counseling theories, techniques and strategies as they provide theory-based individual and small group counseling using developmentally and culturally appropriate interventions.	The developing counselor consistently applies knowledge of counseling theories, techniques and strategies as they provide theory-based individual and small group counseling using developmentally and culturally appropriate interventions.	The proficient counselor continues to provide theory-based, developmentally and culturally appropriate individual and small group counseling and periodically evaluates the impact of those interventions on identified student outcomes.	The distinguished counselor consistently provides high quality individual and small group counseling interventions that result in positive student outcomes and provides leadership at the school, district, and/or state level which enables other counselors to develop high quality individual and small group counseling interventions and to evaluate the results of those interventions on identified student outcomes.

Standard 1 – Quality Indicator 3: Helping Relationships: The school counselor establishes helping relationships with students through individual counseling, group work, classroom counseling, and mental health and well-being activities within the comprehensive school counseling program.

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1PS3 Pre-Service	1N3 New Counselor	1D3 Developing	1P3 Proficient	1S3 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor	The new counselor begins	The developing counselor	The proficient counselor	The distinguished
demonstrates knowledge	to use helping skills to	consistently uses helping	continually uses helping	counselor continually
of the following helping	develop healthy	skills to develop healthy	skills to deliver the	uses helping skills to
skills:	relationships with	relationships with	district's school	develop healthy
<ul> <li>essential counseling</li> </ul>	students that improve self	students that improve self	counseling program;	relationships and deliver
skills to generate	concept and performance	concept and performance	evaluates the quality of	the school district's
developmentally and	through the delivery of	through the delivery of	their use and impact on	comprehensive school
culturally appropriate	the district's	the district's	student outcomes; and	counseling program;
counseling	comprehensive school	comprehensive school	begins to develop	evaluates the impact of
relationships	counseling program.	counseling program.	supervision skills.	their use on relationships
<ul> <li>strategies for applying</li> </ul>				and outcomes; and
a school, family, and				provides leadership and
community systems				supervision to assist other
perspective to the				school counselors to
counseling process				improve their helping and
<ul> <li>implementing a</li> </ul>				communication skills.
framework for				
understanding				
counselor dispositions				
and behaviors that				
influence helping				
processes				
<ul> <li>implementing</li> </ul>				
established and				
emerging models and				
techniques for				
individual counseling,				
group work,				
classroom guidance,				

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and mental health and		
well-being		

Standard 1 – Quality Indicator 4: Social and Cultural Diversity: The school counselor demonstrates knowledge and understanding of how social and cultural diversity affects learning and development within the context of a global society and a diverse community of families through lesson plans, counseling activities, and interactions with students.

diverse community of fan	nilies through lesson plans,	counseling activities, and	interactions with students.	
1PS4 Pre-Service	1N4 New Counselor	1D4 Developing	1P4 Proficient	1S4 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor	The new counselor begins	The developing counselor	The proficient counselor	The distinguished
demonstrates knowledge	to apply knowledge of	consistently applies	ensures that the	counselor consistently
of:	social and cultural	knowledge of social and	knowledge of social and	models high levels of
<ul> <li>multicultural and</li> </ul>	diversity issues, trends,	cultural diversity issues,	cultural diversity issues,	sensitivity to
pluralistic theories,	and attitudes by	trends, and attitudes by	trends, and attitudes are	multicultural diversity in
issues, and trends	incorporating social and	incorporating social and	clearly reflected in the	personal interactions;
<ul> <li>attitudes and</li> </ul>	cultural diversity content	cultural diversity content	counseling curriculum,	provides leadership to
behaviors related to	into counseling	into counseling	individual student	ensure that social and
culture and diversity	curriculum lessons and	curriculum lessons and	planning, and responsive	cultural diversity issues,
<ul> <li>how culture and</li> </ul>	by demonstrating	by demonstrating	services components of	trends, and attitudes are
diversity in families	sensitivity to	sensitivity to	the district's	not only incorporated into
impacts all students	multicultural diversity	multicultural diversity	comprehensive school	the district's
<ul> <li>how culture and</li> </ul>	when engaged in	when engaged in	counseling program and	comprehensive school
diversity affect the	individual and small	individual and small	evaluates how knowledge	counseling program but
counseling	group counseling as well	group counseling as well	of these issues, trends,	are also clearly reflected
relationship	as in consultation	as in consultation	and attitudes is	in the district's mission
<ul> <li>strategies that</li> </ul>	activities.	activities.	incorporated in their own	statement,
cultivate respect and			work as a culturally	comprehensive school
advocacy for equity			sensitive school	improvement plan, school
and fairness as they			counselor.	and/or district policies
relate to culture,				and practices, and the
diversity and social				curricula of the academic
justice				and career and technical
<ul> <li>experiences that</li> </ul>				education programs of the
develop learners'				district; and leads and
tolerance and respect				supports these efforts at
for, and valuing of				the local, regional and/or
human culture and				state levels.
diversity				

students, colleagues and others about culture and diversity and its impact on learning, growth, and relationships
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Standard 1 – Quality Indicator 5: Appraisal of Student Growth and Achievement: The school counselor knows and understands the principles of measurement and assessment, for both individual and group approaches, as they apply to the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students through full implementation of a comprehensive school counseling program and defines the counselor's role in assessment consistent with level of training, expertise, and a fully implemented comprehensive school counseling program.

1PS1 Pre-Service	1N5 New Counselor	1D5 Developing	1P5 Proficient	1S5Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
	The new counselor, guided by professional ethical assessment standards, begins to apply knowledge of measurement and assessment appropriate for level of training and consistent with a fully implemented comprehensive school counseling program and consults with a mentor to review existing assessment instruments to ensure each is developmentally and culturally appropriate, valid, and reliable.			•
the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students				their assessment expertise.
ethical principles of				

<ul> <li>assessment</li> <li>social and cultural factors related to the assessment and evaluation of individuals, groups, and specific populations</li> <li>the relationship</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>the relationship between assessment and the counseling process</li> </ul>		
process		

Standard #1 – Quality Indicator 6: Career Development and Planning: The school counselor demonstrates knowledge and understanding of career development and planning processes across the life span and assists all students in their career awareness, exploration, decision-making, and planning.

awareness, exploration, d	lecision-making, and plann	ing.		
1PS6 Pre-Service	1N6 New Counselor	1D6 Developing	1P6 Proficient	1S6 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor	The new counselor begins	The developing counselor	The proficient counselor	The distinguished
demonstrates knowledge	to apply knowledge of	consistently applies	uses knowledge of career	counselor consistently
of:	career development and	knowledge of career	development and	demonstrates expertise in
<ul> <li>theories of career</li> </ul>	planning (theories,	development and	planning to evaluate the	the development and
development,	models, instruments,	planning in work with all	various career	acquisition of
decision-making and	information, and cultural	students by using	interventions used with	appropriate career
planning for all	and diversity influences)	developmentally and	students and, based on the	education resources;
students	in work with all students	culturally appropriate	data obtained, enhances	provides leadership in
<ul> <li>career counseling</li> </ul>	by using developmentally	counseling curriculum	them making sure that	collaboratively
models	and culturally appropriate	lessons, individual	they are developmentally	developing the school
<ul> <li>strategies for</li> </ul>	counseling curriculum	student planning formats	and culturally	and/or district wide K-12
promoting and	lessons, individual student	and procedures	appropriate, are based on	career development
supporting the career	planning formats and	(personal plan of study),	established career	component of the
decision-making and	procedures (personal plan	and individual and small	theories, and are evidence	district's comprehensive
planning of all	of study), and individual	group counseling as	based.	school counseling
students	and small group	defined by the School		program; and provides
<ul> <li>career assessment</li> </ul>	counseling as defined by	Counseling Grade Level		targeted professional
instruments and	the School Counseling	Expectations and the		development for
techniques to assist	Grade Level Expectations	Individual Student		administrators, staff,
students in	and the Individual Student	Planning process of the		parents and counselors
understanding their	Planning process of the	district's comprehensive		regarding the value of the
abilities and career	district's comprehensive	school counseling		career development
interests	school counseling	program.		process that culminates
<ul> <li>current career</li> </ul>	program.			in successful student
information to assist				transitions.
students in				
understanding the				
world of work and in				
making career plans				

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<ul> <li>and choices</li> <li>the influence of culture and diversity on career development</li> </ul>				
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**END STANDARD 1** 

#### **Standard #2 - Program Implementation**

The school counselor collaborates with school and community members to plan, design, implement, evaluate and enhance the school and district-wide comprehensive school counseling program to advance the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students.

Standard 2 – Quality Indicator 1: Structural Components: The school counselor knows and understands the structural components of a fully implemented comprehensive school counseling program including a philosophy and definition, facilities, advisory council, resources, budget and staffing patterns.

1PS1 Pre-Service	1N1 New Counselor	1D1 Developing	1P1 Proficient	1S1 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  • comprehensive school counseling program philosophy and definition that align with school improvement plans and student success initiatives	The new counselor can describe how the structural components are incorporated into the district's comprehensive school counseling program.	The developing counselor consistently uses knowledge to assess and improve the structural components of the district's comprehensive school counseling program.	The proficient counselor provides leadership for the periodic review and revision of the structural components of the district's comprehensive school counseling program.	The distinguished counselor leads the effort to fully implement the districts comprehensive school counseling program by collaborating with administrators and other district counselors (when appropriate) to periodically review and revise the structural
<ul> <li>facilities, resources, budget and staffing patterns required for full program implementation</li> <li>use of school/community advisory councils to support full program implementation</li> </ul>				components of the program which leads to full implementation of quality components.

Standard 2 – Quality Indicator 2: Program Components: The school counselor knows, understands and implements the four program components of the district's comprehensive school counseling program, providing all students with essential knowledge and skills defined by the Grade Level Expectations through the counseling curriculum, individual student planning, responsive services and system support.

1PS2 Pre-Service	1N2 New Counselor	1D2 Developing	1P2 Proficient	1S2 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of the following four program components:  Counseling Curriculum classroom and schoolwide, results-based counseling activities that facilitate all students' academic, career and personal/social development  Individual Student Planning planning, goal setting and decision making (processes that all students need in order to develop personal plans of study that promote their academic, career, and personal/social development)  Responsive Services – various methods for delivering individual	The new counselor uses knowledge of the four program components to begin to provide students with developmentally appropriate school counseling activities and participates in the management and evaluation of the school district's comprehensive school counseling program.	The developing counselor uses knowledge of the four program components to consistently provide students with developmentally appropriate school counseling activities and participates in the management and evaluation of the school district's comprehensive school counseling program.	The proficient counselor provides leadership in the management and evaluation of the school district's comprehensive school counseling program that supports the integration of the program components into the district's educational program and continues to provide students with developmentally appropriate school counseling activities.	The distinguished counselor demonstrates leadership and initiative to advocate for the full implementation of the district's comprehensive school counseling program components, which are integrated into the district's overall educational program and evaluated on a regular basis.

counseling, small group counseling, consultation and referral  System Support – management of the district-wide comprehensive school counseling program, which is aligned with district/building mission, goals, and overall educational program				
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Standard 2 - Quality Indicator 3: Technology: The school counselor integrates and utilizes technology for program delivery					
and management to prom	ote the academic, career, a	nd personal/social develo	pment of all students.		
1PS3 Pre-Service	1N3 New Counselor	1D3 Developing	1P3 Proficient	1S3 Distinguished	
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor	
	The new counselor demonstrates initial competence in using required software programs and data systems and adapts to district technology is/can be used in the delivery and management of the district's comprehensive school counseling program consistent with district policy.	1 0			

Standard 2 – Quality Indicator 4: Program, Personnel, and Results Evaluation: The school counselor knows, understands, and uses program, personnel, and results based evaluation procedures to plan, design, implement, evaluate and enhance a comprehensive school counseling program.

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The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of program, personnel, of program and of p	snea
demonstrates knowledge of program, personnel, program, personnel, and promote program and collaborates with promotes program and collaborates with administrators to utilize leader and characters.	
evaluation procedures:  Program evaluation using the Internal Improvement Review (IIR) process  Personnel evaluation using the Performance-Based School Counselor Evaluation (PBPSCE)  Results based evaluation using action research strategies such as Partnership for Results Based Evaluation (PROBE)  procedures, while promoting personnel evaluation appropriate for school counselors.  procedures, while promoting personnel results based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  results based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The sults based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The sults based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The sults based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The sults based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The sults based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The sults based evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The personnel evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The personnel evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.  The personnel evaluation procedures and analyze the results to facilitate school counseling program and school improvement.	res as a nge agent, school and aders, to ogram, l results on are aually, that sed to strict's e school ogram and eports are e

#### **Standard #3 - Professional Relationships**

The school counselor develops collaborative professional relationships throughout the school and community which support the comprehensive school counseling program as well as the overall mission and improvement plans of the school and district.

Standard 3 – Quality Indicator 1: Interpersonal Skills: The school counselor promotes, models, and teaches interpersonal skills to enhance relationships with and among administrators, staff, students, families, community members, agency representatives, and other school counselors to facilitate planning, implementing, maintaining, evaluating, and enhancing a comprehensive school counseling program supportive of the academic, career, and personal/social success of all students.

1PS1 Pre-Service	1N1 New Counselor	1D1 Developing	1P1 Proficient	1S1 Distinguished
Candidate		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of and appreciation for the use of interpersonal skills which facilitate professional relationships that:  • Support the implementation of a school counseling program  • Enhance a positive school climate  • Recognize the relationship between a positive school climate and student success  • Encourage communication among school patrons	The new counselor begins to apply knowledge of, appreciation for, and uses interpersonal skills that facilitate professional relationships, communication, and positive school climate.	The developing counselor consistently demonstrates effective interpersonal skills to facilitate professional relationships, communication, positive school climate, and full implementation of the district's school counseling program.	The proficient counselor collaborates with administrators to provide ongoing professional learning among staff and stakeholders to promote positive professional relationships, effective communication, and positive school climate.	The distinguished counselor serves as a leader and change agent by modeling effective interpersonal skills and empowering school and community members to create a school culture that is committed to enhancing the academic, career, and personal/social success of all students.

•	Develop positive working relationships		
•	Adhere to legal and ethical standards		
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Standard 3 – Quality Indicator 2: Collaboration: The school counselor develops collaborative professional relationships with administrators, staff, students, families, community members, agency representatives, and other school counselors in order to promote the academic, career, and personal/social development success of all students.

1PS2 Pre-Service	1N2 New Counselor	1D2 Developing	1P2 Proficient	1S2 Distinguished
Counselor	INZ New Counselor	Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor	The new counselor begins	The developing counselor	The proficient counselor	The distinguished
demonstrates knowledge	to use collaboration skills.	consistently uses	continually uses, models,	counselor continually
of collaboration skills	to use condition skins.	collaboration skills.	and promotes	uses and models
such as:		condition simils.	collaboration skills.	collaboration skills and
• Effective				mentors others in the use
communication and				of collaboration skills.
listening				
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<ul> <li>Understanding School</li> </ul>				
Counselor roles and				
expectation				
clarification				
<ul> <li>Strategies to develop</li> </ul>				
shared understanding				
and shared decision-				
making				
<ul> <li>Establishing and</li> </ul>				
maintaining trusting				
relationships				
<ul> <li>Understanding the</li> </ul>				
role of collaboration in				
fully implementing the				
school counseling				
program				
How to implement				
appropriate models				
for collaboration				

Standard 3 – Quality Indicator 3: Consultation Theories and Strategies: The school counselor uses theories, models, and processes of consultation strategies to improve communication, develop and promote professional, family, and school relationships and coordinate school and community resources to promote the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students.

1PS3 Pre-Service	1N3 New Counselor	1D3 Developing	1P3 Proficient	1S3 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor	The new counselor begins	The developing counselor	The proficient counselor	The distinguished
demonstrates knowledge	to use consultation skills.	consistently uses	continually uses, models,	counselor continually
of consultation skills:		consultation skills.	and promotes	uses and models
<ul> <li>System theories,</li> </ul>			consultation skills.	consultation skills and
models, and processes				mentors others in the use
of consultation within				of consultation skills.
a school system to				
enhance student				
development, well-				
being, and learning				
through family, school,				
and community				
collaboration				
• Consultation				
strategies designed to				
improve				
communication and				
promote teamwork				
Use of consultation				
strategies to				
coordinate resources				
and the efforts of staff				
(teachers,				
administrators, and other school				
personnel) to promote school-home				
relationships through				

the involvement of		
parents and other		
family members and		
to involve private and		
public community		
agencies in students'		
academic, career, and		
personal/social		
development		

advisory councils
School and community

crisis/disaster preparedness and response models

Standard 3 - Quality Indicator 4: School and Community Involvement: The school counselor is actively involved in school and community initiatives that promote the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students. 1PS4 Pre-Service **1N4 New Counselor** 1D4 Developing 1P4 Proficient 1S4 Distinguished Counselor Counselor Counselor Counselor The new counselor The developing counselor The pre-service counselor The proficient counselor The distinguished counselor serves as a demonstrates knowledge begins to participate in consistently participates continuously participates of school and community school and community in school and community in school and community leader within school and involvement: initiatives and to access initiatives and accesses initiatives and accesses community to create and and use school and and uses school and and uses school and promote school and Identification. community resources. community initiatives. evaluation, and use of community resources. community resources. community resources Referral procedures Participation in and contribution to school and community activities/ organizations Use of school counseling related educational programs for use with stakeholders Use of school/community

## Standard #4 - Leadership and Advocacy

The school counselor serves as a change agent, demonstrating leadership, vision, collaboration and advocacy for the ongoing development of self, students, the comprehensive school counseling program and the school district.

Standard 4 – Quality Indicator 1: Personal Well-Being: The school counselor knows, understands, uses and models techniques of self-care.				
1PS1 Pre-Service Counselor	1N1 New Counselor	1D1 Developing Counselor	1P1 Proficient Counselor	1S1 Distinguished Counselor
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of the value of self- care and begins to apply techniques of self -care.  • Uses supervision and consultation to promote self-care  • Establishes and maintains personal/professional boundaries	The new counselor applies techniques of self-care and uses supervision and consultation with a school counselor mentor and others to support well-being.	The developing counselor consistently applies techniques of self- care and uses supervision and consultation with others to support well-being.	The proficient counselor continues to apply techniques of self- care and monitors the impact of self- care on students and program implementation.	The distinguished counselor provides leadership in promoting techniques of self-care and well- being, monitors the impact of self-care on students and program implementation, and mentors and supervises others in the value and technique of self- care.

Standard 4 - Quality Indicator 2 : Leadership and Professionalism: The school counselor knows, understands, models and promotes personal leadership and professionalism.						
1PS2 Pre-Service	1N2 New Counselor	1D2 Developing	1P2 Proficient	1S2 Distinguished		
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor		
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  Professional Identity – history and philosophy, competencies, preparation standards, credentials, accreditation policies, and self-reflection as they relate to school counseling  Professional Development – uses continuous learning and growth, personal reflection, and feedback from others to make and follow a professional development plan  Professional Affiliation – membership in professional organizations  Professional Involvement – active participation in and	The new counselor holds appropriate credentials for practice and uses reflection and feedback to develop a professional development plan to support personal, professional, and program improvement.	The developing counselor maintains appropriate credentials for practice and uses reflection and feedback to update the professional development plan to support personal, professional, and program improvement.	The proficient counselor maintains appropriate credentials for practice; uses reflection and feedback to update the professional development plan to support personal, professional, and program improvement; shares in the leadership responsibilities of professional organizations and/or local educator committees; and recruits and mentors new professionals.	The distinguished counselor advocates for and maintains appropriate credentials; uses reflection and feedback to refine the professional development plan; serves as a mentor, supporting/providing professional development for others; maintains leadership roles in local, regional, state and or national professional organizations; and recruits new professionals.		

contribution to the		
profession		

Standard 4 – Quality Indicator 3: Student Advocacy: The school counselor knows and understands the advocacy processes needed to address individual, institutional and social factors that influence access, equity, and success for all students.						
1PS3 Pre-Service Counselor	1N3 New Counselor	1D3 Developing Counselor	1P3 Proficient Counselor	1S3 Distinguished Counselor		
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  • Student Advocacy issues and processes  • Individual, institutional, and social factors that influence access, equity, and student success	The new counselor identifies student advocacy issues, as well as individual, institutional and social factors that impact students, and begins to collaborate with stakeholders to make plans to apply advocacy processes	The developing counselor addresses student advocacy issues, as well as individual, institutional, and social factors that impact students, by collaborating with stakeholders to apply advocacy processes and plans.	The proficient counselor continuously seeks to identify and address student advocacy issues, as well as individual, institutional, and social factors that impact students, by collaborating with stakeholders to implement, evaluate, and refine advocacy processes and plans.	The distinguished counselor serves as a leader and change agent by educating stakeholders about student advocacy issues, as well as individual, institutional, and social factors that impact students, and by empowering students and others to become student advocates.		

Standard 4 – Quality Indicator 4: Program Leadership: The school counselor uses knowledge of comprehensive school counseling program concepts to promote and enhance the success of students and the comprehensive school counseling program while contributing to school improvement.

wine contributing to school improvement.					
1PS4 Pre-Service	1N4 New Counselor	1D4 Developing	1P4 Proficient	1S4 Distinguished	
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor	
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  • Program planning, design, implementation, evaluation, enhancement and advocacy  • Leadership theories,	The new counselor begins to use leadership and advocacy strategies for program planning, design, implementation, evaluation and enhancement.	Counselor The developing counselor consistently uses leadership, advocacy, and networking strategies for program planning, design, implementation, evaluation and enhancement.	The proficient counselor continually leads, advocates, and networks for ongoing program planning, design, implementation, evaluation and enhancement to positively impact school improvement and student	The distinguished counselor provides leadership in advocating for the integration of a fully implemented comprehensive school counseling program into the overall educational program to positively impact school	
<ul><li>roles, and processes</li><li>Change theories and processes</li><li>Policy development</li></ul>			success.	improvement and student success.	

program to contribute to the de	levelopment of a positi 4 New Counselor	I	and culture.	
	4 New Counselor	_		
1PS4 Pre-Service 1N4	i itew douilseloi	1D4 Developing	1P4 Proficient	1S4 Distinguished
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  Characteristics of a positive and safe school climate/culture  How to use school	e new counselor begins dentify characteristics the school's climate dentiture to facilitate to counseling ogram activities that courage a positive and the climate and culture.	The developing counselor identifies and evaluates characteristics of the school's climate and culture to facilitate school counseling program activities that maintain and strengthen a positive and safe climate and culture.	The proficient counselor continually collects and uses data to evaluate and improve the impact of school counseling program activities on the school climate and culture.	The distinguished counselor provides leadership, working with others, to integrate school counseling program activities with other district initiatives that maintain and strengthen a positive and safe climate and culture in order to better understand and respond to changing student needs.

**END STANDARD 4** 

### Standard #5 - Ethical and Professional Conduct

The school counselor knows, understands and adheres to current ethical and professional standards and legal requirements.

Standard 5 – Quality Indicator 1: Ethical Standards: The school counselor knows, understands and practices in accordance with ethical standards appropriate to the school counseling profession.					
5PS1 Pre-Service	5N1 New Counselor	5D1 Developing	5P1 Proficient	5S1 Distinguished	
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor	
The pre-service counselor	The new counselor	The developing counselor	The proficient counselor	The distinguished	
demonstrates knowledge	practices in accordance	practices in accordance	practices in accordance	counselor practices in	
of:	with professional ethical	with professional ethical	with professional ethical	accordance with	
<ul> <li>Professional ethical</li> </ul>	standards, seeks	standards, seeks	standards, seeks	professional ethical	
standards for school	consultation for	consultation for	consultation for	standards, seeks	
counselors	assistance in ethical	assistance in ethical	assistance in ethical	consultation for assistance	
Ethical decision-making	decision-making, and	decision-making, and	decision-making, and is a	in ethical decision-making	
models	communicates with	educates school staff	consultant for the school	and provides consultation,	
	administrators about the	about the ethical	community regarding	leadership and education	
	ethical standards of the	standards of the school	ethical decision-making.	for the school community	
	school counseling	counseling profession.		regarding ethical decision-	
	profession.			making.	

Standard 5 - Quality Indicator 2: Professional Standards: The school counselor knows, understands and practices in accordance					
with standards associated with the counseling profession.					
5PS2 Pre-Service 5N2 New Counselor 5D2 Developing 5P2 Proficient 5S2 Distinguished					

with standards associated with the counseling profession.						
5PS2 Pre-Service	5N2 New Counselor	5D2 Developing	5P2 Proficient	5S2 Distinguished		
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor		
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  MoSPE standards for school counselors  School Counselor Mentoring Program  Consultation resources	The new counselor practices in accordance with MoSPE standards for school counselors, participates in a school counselor mentoring program, and seeks consultation to guide practice.	The developing counselor practices in accordance with the MoSPE standards for school counselors and seeks consultation to guide practice.	The proficient counselor practices in accordance with the MoSPE standards for school counselors, seeks consultation to guide practice, and supports other counselors in their personal and professional development.	The distinguished counselor practices in accordance with the MoSPE standards for school counselors and provides consultation, leadership and professional development for the school counseling community regarding the MoSPE standards.		

Standard 5 - Quality Indicator 3: District and School Policies: The school counselor knows, understands and practices in accordance with local school policy and procedures.						
5PS3 Pre-Service Counselor	5N3 New Counselor	5D3 Developing Counselor	5P3 Proficient Counselor	5S3 Distinguished Counselor		
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  Role of local district and school policies and procedures  How to access local district and school policies and procedures	The new counselor begins to practice in accordance with local district and school policies and procedures and consults with administrators about and practices in accordance with the local district and school policies and procedures.	The developing counselor practices in accordance with local district and school policies and procedures and reviews policies and procedures that impact the implementation of the district's comprehensive school counseling program.	The proficient counselor practices in accordance with local district and school policies and procedures and, using data, works with administrators to identify policies and procedures that need to be revised or added to positively impact student success through a fully implemented comprehensive school counseling program.	The distinguished counselor practices in accordance with local district and school policies and procedures; and uses data to advocate for policy changes that address contemporary issues which impact student success.		

Standard 5 - Quality Indicator 4: Legal Requirements: The school counselor practices in accordance with local, state, and federal						
statutory requirements and is familiar with legal resources.						
5PS4 Pre-Service	5N4 New Counselor	5D4 Developing	5P4 Proficient	5S4 Distinguished		
Counselor		Counselor	Counselor	Counselor		
The pre-service counselor demonstrates knowledge of:  • Local, state, and federal statutory requirements pertaining to education and the practice of school counseling	The new counselor practices in accordance with local, state, and federal statutory requirements that pertain to education and the practice of school counseling and accesses and uses legal resources.	The developing counselor practices in accordance with local, state, and federal statutory requirements that pertain to education and the practice of school counseling, accesses and uses legal resources, and can describe how local,	The proficient counselor practices in accordance with local, state, and federal statutory requirements that pertain to education and the practice of school counseling, accesses and uses legal resources, identifies local, state, and	The distinguished counselor practices in accordance with local, state, and federal statutory requirements that pertain to education and the practice of school counseling, accesses and uses legal resources, identifies local, state, and		
Legal resources and professional development available to inform and guide professional practice		state, and federal statutory requirements impact schools, students and families.	federal statutory requirements that need to be revised or added, and collaborates with stakeholders to advocate for change.	federal statutory requirements that need to be revised or added, and takes a leadership role in collaboration with stakeholders to advocate for change.		